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## OPEN MEETING AGENDA ITEM

From: David Durst [dpdurst@gmail.com]  
Sent: Friday, August 20, 2010 2:44 AM  
To: Newman-Web  
Subject: Global Water Increase

SW-20445A-09-0077  
W-20446A-09-0080  
W-02451A-09-0078  
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W-01212A-09-0082

We moved to Maricopa, AZ. in 2004 and now after several years we are facing a huge increase in our rates. I would like to hear your justification for this, as I need to know why I should be persuaded to vote for you in the future. An article on the website for [INMARICOPA.Com](http://INMARICOPA.Com) states that [inMaricopa.com](http://inMaricopa.com) newspaper article regarding the subject: "The administrative law judge's recommendations would result in an average bill of \$102 per month (increased from roughly \$76 mo), excluding an increase in homeowners' association dues many Maricopa's will likely see as a result of proposed increased to effluent water." Currently the water most Homeowner Associations in Maricopa use is reclaimed. The current price for reclaimed water is \$0.33 cents per 1000 gallons used. The administrative law agreed with Global Water position to raise this to \$2.00 per 1000 gallons used. **That results in a 506% rate increase for Global Water!** Why should Paul Walker of Global Water be receiving over two million in salary while people are going to see their rates increased over 500% for reclaimed or recycled water? How much more money can a blood sucking utility take from the community before you find that you are the only ones paying for it? Or better yet, maybe you don't live her so your lining your pockets?

I believe you should not allow this increase especially when Maricopa is facing a huge crisis in foreclosures, and the people are struggling to pay the ALREADY high fees for water. In Phoenix it costs less for water/sewer/garbage then it costs for water alone in the city or Maricopa.

I and others will be sure to vote against any of you and pray that you will need to find work some place else so that you can screw those people over as you are doing to our community.

Sincerely,

David and Lisa Durst - One of many disgruntled Maricopa residents

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From: Heidi Eaton [heidiandgerry@hotmail.com]  
Sent: Friday, August 20, 2010 6:42 AM  
To: undisclosed-recipients  
Subject: Docket #09-0079 or 09-0080

I am writing because I live in the city of Maricopa, and we are currently facing an astronomical raise in our water bill and soon after a raise in our HOA bills, also for water. I understand a utilities desire to make a profit. I understand that they haven't earned as much money as they wanted. Who has?

I can't find strong enough words to tell you how bad this will be for families like mine. We are a one income family, I am a stay at home mother of four. My husband works for Maricopa county. We haven't had a pay raise in four years. As a matter of fact we have seen our income fall for 2 consecutive years due to cut backs and higher state and federal taxes. Families like mine can't pay more for utilities. We won't make it! What global water is asking for is out of this world!

"The administrative law judge's recommendations would result in an average bill of \$102 per month (increased from roughly \$76 mo), **excluding an increase in homeowners' association dues many Maricopans will likely see as a result of proposed increased to effluent water.**"

Our home bill is currently about 85 dollars a month for our family of six! We can't afford an increase of 34% as well as an HOA increase of 5 times the current (this is how high the proposed effluent or reclaimed water rate increase is).

Please dismiss what the administrative law judge recommended and reduce the amount of the rate increase both for the individual homeowner and the fee for effluent or reclaimed water.

Sincerely,

Heidi Eaton  
45652 W. Barbara Lane  
Maricopa, AZ 85139

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** MARK95MAN@aol.com  
**Sent:** Friday, August 20, 2010 8:20 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Re: CASE NUMBER 09-0079 & 09-0080

Dear Paul Newman:

I am the President of the Cobblestone Farms HOA. Due to the recent decision by the Judge on Global Water's new rates and your final decision, our Community is about to undergo a major change.

We are taking steps to flood Global Water with its own recycled water. Currently this water is used to for our grass and trees. The required cost of treatment to use this recycled water is expensive. Due to the quality of this water, we have an algae issue that clogs our water system. It is an intensive costly labor project to remove this algae.

The sole purpose of this requested rate increase will allow investors an 8% return. It is NOT for better service or improvement of their product. Due to the current economic conditions, we feel the current 4% investor return is higher than other investments. Therefore, Cobblestone Farms will turn off the water to over 25 acres of our grass. Since our trees and plants are on a separate drip system, they will continue to be watered. Our bottom line, we will do whatever it takes to avoiding paying Global Water one additional cent for water. Once you approve the rate increase, our water usage will be greatly reduced.

In recent years, we were told of great new plans for Maricopa. A Home Depot, Fitness Center, Multi-Screen Movie Theater, Real non fast food restaurants, not one but two hotels and even plans for an AIRPORT! So far the only real thing to be done is raising our water rates.

The economic conditions have had great negative impact upon Maricopa. The new water rates might be the final blow turning our Town into a dust bowl. Please consider this as you review the new water rates.

Thank you in advance for your consideration,

Robert A. Batsche  
44208 West Canyon Creek Drive  
Maricopa, AZ 85139-5409

Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** coach steve [ofcoach@msn.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 19, 2010 11:20 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water Doc#09-0079 & 09-0080

# 506% increase on reclaimed water ?

Shame on GW, shame on the administrative law judge, and shame on you if you allow this greedy company this kind of backbreaking increase.

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** Michael Robinson [michaelzrobinson@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 19, 2010 11:40 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water Rate increase

Regarding file # 09-0079, Please reconsider the enormous rate increase granted to Global Water. Everyone in our community will be impacted by this. We are on a fixed income and have limited resources for basic living  
Thank you  
Sharon Robinson

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** Appliances Repaired [ronellejamieson@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 21, 2010 8:19 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Case # 09-00800

I cannot afford to live in my home if the proposed Global Water increases are approved

Ronelle Jamieson  
21160 N Duncan Drive  
Maricopa,Az 85138

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**From:** Brown, Kimberly [KimberlyBrown@IKON.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 21, 2010 11:07 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Alterra - Case Number - 09-0079 or 09-0080

Good morning Paul,

I am writing to you regarding the increase in water rates for our neighborhood and ask that you please reconsider. Our area has been so affected by the down turn in the housing market and we see so many foreclosed homes in our neighborhood already due to our neighbors being unable to pay their bills. This increase in rates would affect our already struggling neighborhood in such a negative way that we just cannot afford. We love our home and we love our community, but with constant increases such as this we may no longer be able to afford the home that we have worked so hard to build. I am quite confident that our neighbors are also in the same position that we are in and I would hate to lose even more of our neighborhood due to rate increases. I am well aware that businesses need to survive by making money, however I am curious if Global Water isn't making money or if they just feel that they are not making enough. In trying times such as our current situation my family has made sacrifices to further benefit our long term position and I think it wise for any business to do the same. I appreciate you taking the time to read my e-mail and appreciate any consideration that you could give to our community and my family. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Kimberly Brown  
C: 480-215-4422  
e-mail: [kimberlybrown@ikon.com](mailto:kimberlybrown@ikon.com)



Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Richard Casey [dickcasey55@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 21, 2010 2:19 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water, new consolidated docket numbers (09-0079 or 09-008)

New consolidated docket numbers (09-0079 or 09-008), the Global Water issue for a rate increase, I object to the rate increase Global Water is asking for at this time. I believe the increase is is extravagant and not necessary at this time. The people of Maricopa can not take this increase, not only will our residential monthly water bill increase, the H.O.A fees will increase. The current price for reclaimed water is \$0.33 cents per 1000 gallons used. Global Water's position to raise this to \$2.00 per 1000 gallons used. That results in a 506% rate increase for Global Water! Again, I object to Global Water's rate increase. Thank you, Richard Casey a concerned and involved citizen in the City Of Maricopa.

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** Karen [kapep@q.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 21, 2010 6:50 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Rate Increase

Reference these new consolidated docket numbers (09-0079 or 09-0080):

I am opposed to the proposed water rate increase. I believe it is unnecessary, many of whom are just barely "hanging on by a thread". I bought my house in 2007, which at the time, I was getting a good deal. But now my house isn't worth half what I paid for it. And to top it all off, I live in Maricopa Meadow with the high sulfate. And now you want to raise our water. What will be next. I have read what I can about your justification; I don't recognize it. Your increase may be just the final straw that will force many of us out of their homes leaving utility bills unpaid and mortgages in default, causing more hardship for a struggling community. As a resident of Maricopa, I am not privy to all of the nuances and deals that are in the background. Some point to "backroom deals" and others say that some long-time Maricopa residents are "in bed" so to say with Global Water. WHAT EVER. Really think over what you are proposing to do.

Sincerely,  
Karen Pepin

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** joycelynnewman [joycelynnewman@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 6:53 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Water Rates

Mr. Newman,

I have been informed that a large increase in water rates will be proposed at this week's meeting. I am writing to plead that you do not allow this. We are all facing hard times and such an increase will force more difficulties upon your constituents. Please vote against Global Water's rate increases. There must be an amicable solution. Alternate options have not even been proposed to us. This proposal, if it were allowed to take effect, would enrage the entire population of Maricopa Meadows and eventually all of Maricopa. Please do not subject us to this hardship, making a difficult time even worse. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Joycelyn Newman

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** abbarkley@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 7:18 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water rate increase case number 09-0079 or 09-00800.

The requested rate increase by Global Water is absurd and should not be granted. If this is granted those of us, and there are many, will remember next time around.

Do you civil duty and reject this.

Dick Barkley...  
AZ tax payer and voter

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Ray, David [dray@grantthornton.ca]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 7:51 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Water Rate Increases

I wish to protest the proposed water rate increases that will affect our home in Province in Maricopa. We ask that you consider the serious increase in cost to the users of this service.

Our case numbers are:

SW-20445A-09-0077  
W-20446A-09-0080  
W-02451A-09-0078  
W-02450A-09-0081  
W-01732A-09-0079  
W-01212A-09-0082

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**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** Dave Wilhelmsen [dave@albsigns.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 10:32 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global water rates Maricopa

Please hear our pleas to keep our water rates realistic. Don't increase the effluent water rates for Global water. That will kill our beautiful city!!!!!!

Thank you,  
Dave Wilhelmsen  
Maricopa

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Wade Beckstead [wadebeckstead@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 11:05 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water Rate Increase Request

Dear Commissioner Newman,

I am a concerned resident of Maricopa, AZ. The recent approval from an administrative law judge regarding the rate increases for Global Water was alarming. I don't understand how a judge could approve such a huge increase in the fees we will pay for sewer and water. We are not able to shop around to find the cheapest alternative as this is a public utility. The average water bill for homes is slated to increase from \$76 to \$102/month. That is a 34% increase. The reclaimed water is set to increase from \$0.33/1000 gallons to \$2.00/1000 gallons. That is an increase of over 500%! I don't know why any regulated business should be allowed to raise rates at such an alarming rate. Water is precious commodity that we all depend on for our livelihoods. Water is a precious commodity that we can't do without. I understand that increases are inevitable, but our incomes certainly don't keep pace with the large and greedy increases Global Water is requesting.

Global Water is currently making money. Their request to increase the rates is spurred purely by corporate greed. In speaking with a representative of Global Water, he mentioned that they wanted to take the company public. In order to go public and issue stock, they needed to make more money so they could attract investors. The only reason Global Water wants these exorbitant rate increases is so that they can go public and further line their own pockets with money. There is no need for the rate increases for Global Water to remain solvent into the future.

If this increase goes into effect, there will be significant damages done to our community. Many people are already on the brink of losing their homes. Any increase in the monthly water/sewer bills along with the increases in HOA fees will push people into foreclosure on their homes. The beauty of our community will be diminished significantly as the HOAs and homeowners stop watering landscaping. The values of our homes will decrease significantly as a result of this one decision.

It is my plea that you support the thousands of citizens of Maricopa by not giving Global Water their proposed rate increases. Please let the voice of the people be heard and followed.

Your decision and actions on this important matter will not be forgotten by the people of Maricopa in future elections.

Thank you for your time in reviewing this letter.

A concerned citizen,

Wade Beckstead

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** bette@orbitelcom.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 11:37 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** case number 09-0079

I am writing on the proposed Global water rate increases I am one usually not to say anything but this increase at this time seems unreal. They are asking for such a high increase when everyone else is trying to get by. My social security has not gone up for years why do they need a increase and why so big when they are making a profit.

They are going to make it difficult for people of Maricopa to stay here and live with these increases there are so many people that have left Maricopa already and if this increase goes into effect a lot more people will be leaving. Between the residents increase and HOA's fees going up because of the water increases many people including myself will have to relocate please be kind of us all and don't give them this increase they want.

Thank you for your time  
Elizabeth Gratta  
41396 W Barcelona Drive  
Maricopa, AZ 85138



## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Jennifer Beckstead [jenkbeckstead@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 11:52 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Maricopa rate increase

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Thank you for your time in reviewing this letter.

A concerned citizen,

Jennifer Beckstead

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** Alicia Andziewicz [amapolka@att.net]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 6:39 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** water rates

We do not need such a rate increase. This will be forcing people to leave.  
Alicia Andziewicz

Jennifer Ybarra

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From: KnechtD@aol.com  
Sent: Monday, August 23, 2010 7:10 PM  
To: Newman-Web  
Subject: Opposed to proposed Global Water rate hike

TO: ACC Commissioner Paul Neuman

RE: Case Numbers:

**SW-20445A-09-0077**

**W-20446A-09-0080**

**W-02451A-09-0078**

**W-02450A-09-0081**

**W-01732A-09-0079**

**W-01212A-09-0082**

We are opposed to the proposed Global Water rate hikes which have the potential of severely impacting the economies of the region. We currently live in the Province Retirement Community and would face home rate increases of 30 % and HOA rate increase of up to 500 %, resulting in at least 20 % increases in annual homeowner fees.

For a relatively low-risk investment in the utility, there is no basis for the rationale that the investors should earn an 8% return as was used as justification by Global Water for the proposed rate increases. Many of us have lost a significant portion of our retirement investments during the past several years in supposedly safe funds and are currently achieving much lower returns of around 0.5 %. The requested increases in the rates by Global Water under its monopoly for water services are a blatant gouging of a captive consumer market, and we, the homeowners, respectfully request the protection of the Arizona Corporation Commission to arrive at a fair and reasonable resolution of the rate fees.

Sincerely yours,

Dieter and Margaret Knecht  
42784 W. Whispering Wind Ln  
Maricopa, AZ 85138

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** rjhud56@aol.com  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 7:45 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Water Rate Increase for Maricopa Residents

Dear Sir:

Please consider refusing or at least delaying water rates increase for Global Water in Maricopa. As you know already, Maricopa has been hit by massive foreclosures and economic hard times. This proposed rate increase would place an additional burden on the citizens of this town only now trying to get the economy going again. And for some, this proposed increase would be the tipping point in their efforts to remain solvent and in their homes.

It has been stated that this is Global Water's attempt to increase their return for investors. Since there is no improvement in facilities or service associated with this increase, this statement seems to be accurate. It would be extremely satisfying if my own meager investments would generate the disclosed 8% return..... my savings account yields 0.5% at this time!

I hope to be able to continue to live in Maricopa. However, if the proposed rate increase goes into effect as it has been described, leading to near 30% increase in my consumption costs as well as increased HOA fees since the HOA anticipates a 500% increase in its water charges, I will be forced to sell and move..... or at least to move and quit paying HOA dues since I may not be able to sell my equity to another person.

Please do NOT grant approval to the rate increase request in cases:

AW-20445A-09-0077    W-20446A-09-0080    W-02451A-09-0078  
W-02450A-09-0081    W-01732A-09-0079    W-01212A-09-0082

since this would further damage the economic position of Maricopa residents simply to enhance the financial returns to Global Water's investor. The greater good of this city is in your hands.

Sincerely, Ronald J. Hudson and Lynda Jo Hudson    20300 N Goodman Rd, Maricopa, AZ 85138

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** James and Chanin Carr [jamesandchanin@hotmail.com]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 23, 2010 10:36 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Maricopa - Proposed Global Water Rate Increase

Dear Mr. Newman,

We are residents of Maricopa and are writing today to express our concern over the impending Global Water rate decision. We love the people in our community as well as the beautiful landscape and scenery. However, we're worried that a water rate hike will devastate the associations and our town.

We happen to live in The Lakes at Rancho El Dorado which contains several man-made lakes and grass areas. The builder of our house went out of business and our community is still in the process of recovering. I'm confident that a rate hike will force the association to significantly raise rates and/or stop watering the grass. No grass and no lakes would destroy our community and prevent a recovery. And, on a more personal note, would take away the grass area that our 21 month old loves to play on (as well as all of the other neighborhood children).

We don't feel that this is a proper time to raise rates when so many of us are going through tough times. I was laid off in April of this year and luckily we are getting by while I work some side jobs. My wife and I both have serious medical conditions and must continue to pay COBRA health insurance premiums for ourselves and our son. I'm hopeful for the future but in 2 months my contract job will be finished and I will once again be searching for a way to support the family.

As I understand it, Global Water is currently profitable but would like to recoup some of their costs. From my research most utility companies have an average rate of return around 3-5% annually, and Global Water is seeking 8-10%. While I understand the need to be profitable I believe this increase will severely hurt many families and the entire community of Maricopa and is quite unnecessary at this time. In addition, Global Water is not planning on adding any infrastructure with the increased rate money, which leads me to believe that this is all about the money.

Please think about the citizens of Maricopa and my family as you are voting on this matter. We love Maricopa and hope to grow our family here, but this rate increase could force us out and severely stunt the growth of our city in these tough economic times.

Thank you.

The Carr Family (James, Chanin, and Gavin)

21346 N Liles Ln

Maricopa, AZ 85138

520-413-5740

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** Jane & Marty Richards [memandpep@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 5:09 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Fwd: Global water rates

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**From:** Jane & Marty Richards <memandpep@gmail.com>  
**Date:** Tue, Aug 24, 2010 at 8:05 AM  
**Subject:** Global water rates

Case numbers: SW20445A-09-0077  
W-20446A-09-0080  
W-02451A-09-0078  
W-02450A-09-0081  
W-01732A-09-0079  
W-01212A-09-0082

As a homeowner in the City of Maricopa I am deeply concerned over the requested water rate hike. Please vote against this rate hike. Citizens have been hard hit in these economic times and every increase hits hard.

Thank-you for your help in this matter.

Martin & Jane Richards  
42549 W. Heavenly Place  
Maricopa, Az

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Anita Poleahla [apoleahla@aol.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 5:13 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water

As a homeowner in Maricopa - I oppose the proposed rate increase. Case number 09-0079.

Anita Poleahla



## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** SandraMc [Sandra1957@shaw.ca]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 5:29 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Maricopa Water Hikes

This is amazing that Paul Walker for Global Water is receiving over two million in salary while you are asking for outrageous water hikes. With the current housing crisis Maricopa will simply sink with the burden you are attempting to place on citizens. As a Canadian I value public water utilities for a reason = we don't do this on the backs of our citizens.

Good luck to improving your economy you are going to need it.

Sandra McCrea

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** mirsplace@orbitelcom.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 6:30 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water-09-0079/09-00800

The proposed Global Water rate increase is simply outrageous. It is a plan for financial disaster for Maricopa, the financial damage will be everlasting. We are residents of Province and strongly oppose this increase.

Miriam and Barry Pasis

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** jose garcia [hhosie@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 6:57 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Please Stop This

*This administrative (Global Water) decision may very well be the nail that seals the coffin on many struggling homeowners. I beg you do not let this happen. Thank you.*

Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Jack Carlson [jackcarlson54321@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 9:11 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water Rate Increases - Please stop the increases

Hi -

My name is Jack Carlson and I have a house in Maricopa Meadows. I understand that my average water/sewer bill is about to be increased substantially as a direct result of Global Water's request to increase rates (**docket numbers 09-0079 and or 09-0080**). I implore you to do whatever you can to stop this increase. I am trying to re-juggle my work schecule to be able to attend the meetings today and tomorrow in person to express my opinion on this matter.

Jack Carlson

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** adkerr1976@netzero.net  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 9:59 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water

Regarding case numbers:

**SW-20445A-09-0077**

**W-20446A-09-0080**

**W-02451A-09-0078**

**W-02450A-09-0081**

**W-01732A-09-0079**

**W-01212A-09-0082**

I think Global Water's request to increase fees without improving product or delivery is unconscionable. And to request an increase of over 500% is obscene. Is there any utility in the United States that guarantees a pre-established profit to its investors?

Please weigh and consider Global Water's enormous profit request against the quality of life and economy of Maricopa, and deny any rate increase.

Thank you for your kind attention!

Andrew Kerr  
20231 N. Enchantment Pass  
Maricopa, AZ 85138

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Dave Wintersteller [dwintersteller@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 10:59 AM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water

Global Water's request in the following cases should be denied:

SW-20445A-09-0077  
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W-01732A-09-0079  
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The reason they are asking for this increase is so that their investors earn an 8 % return on their investment in Global Water. I do not know about you but I lost all of my investment in General Motors, Countrywide and Lehman Brothers not to mention the hit all my other investments took. Currently I can earn around .5 % return on my investments. Why should these investors earn 8 %? Each of us will see our water rates go up about 30 % depending on our usage. The water used by the HOA to feed our lakes and water the green belts will go up 500 %. This means all of our HOA dues will go up at the maximum state allowed 20 % for years and possibly HOA can impose a special assessment on all of us to cover this increase. This is very unreasonable.

David Wintersteller

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Sandra Minnaar [arizona-realestate@cox.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 12:23 PM  
**To:** Newman-Webb  
**Subject:** Docket 09-0079 or 09-0080

Dear Mr. Newman,

I am a Realtor and Home Owner in Maricopa Meadows. This latest price increase from Global Water is the straw that will break our backs. We are already suffering from foreclosures, short sales, huge declines in the value of our properties and the sulfer seeping up from the ground ruining our foundations which we are now finding out the builders were aware of and made the decision to cut corners and to save themselves money and cut corners. We are holding strong and many of us are going out and cleaning up foreclosed properties in our neighborhood on a volunteer basis just to keep the neighborhood from going down.

We are fighting for Maricopa and our neighborhoods which were deemed to be beautiful by Del Webb and other developers. We were never warned of this water increase during the toughest time ever. Now we are left holding the bag. Just as we are left with crumbling fences and foundations. These high water increases granted to Global Water are going to cause our green areas to go gravel, our water features to dry up, our hoa dues which many are having trouble paying etc. go up to buy the water, during a time when many are jobless or in the process of losing their jobs, or have taken pay cuts just to keep their job. This is not the time to raise our water prices. The people are crying out for help. Please hear their cries and take action in this matter.

Sandra Minnaar  
Maricopa Meadows Home Owner

**Jennifer Ybarra**

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**From:** Thane.Caldwell@VerizonWireless.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 2:58 PM  
**To:** undisclosed-recipients  
**Subject:** Regarding Case number 09-0079 or 09-00800

To whom it may concern,

The proposed increases by Global Water could be the deciding factor for my family, regarding whether we can afford to continue living in Maricopa or move back into the city. I am 23 years old, with perfect credit, and am the only working member of my family (wife, 2 kids under 2).

I urge you to please reconsider the price increase for Global Water.

**Thane Caldwell**



## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** William DeJesus [willie330@comcast.net]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 3:11 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** DOCKET 09-0079 OR 09-0080

Mr. Newman,

I am writing you in reference to the Global water issue. This proposed increase is not something that will help the town of Maricopa. I am currently a part time resident who intends to become a full time resident in the near future. This being said I am very concerned with what my elected officials intend to do about this issue. This significant increases should be stopped or delayed until a more viable compromise can be found. Global water is the only beneficiary of this incredible increase. I like my little town of Maricopa, please do not allow it to be defaced and dictated by big business.

Respectfully,

William and Margaret DeJesus

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Tom & Jeri  
[tjcrit@orbitelcom.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 6:41 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Fw: case number 09-0079 or 09-0080  
crittenden

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**From:** Tom & Jeri crittenden

**To:** [mayer-web@azcc.gov](mailto:mayer-web@azcc.gov)

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 6:38 PM

**Subject:** case number 09-0079 or 09-0080

We elected you because we trusted that you would serve the public with honor and integrity. Now is the time to do what is right and deny Global Water the massive rate increase they seek. The huge increase in water bills and HOA fees will be more than many of us can afford. My wife and I are retired, use a minimal amount of water and our bill is still around \$90 a month. So please, just say NO.

Respectfully.

Thomas Crittenden  
44600 W. Bella Trail  
Maricopa, AZ. 85139

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** LB [ljoelbegay@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 24, 2010 9:22 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water

Hello,

I am writing to ask you to please consider rejecting the outrageous rate increase sought by Global Water. As residents of Maricopa and a proud Native American, I understand the need to conserve and protect water resources. However, the proposed rate increase is not a matter of conserving or protecting our water resources, but a ploy to line the pockets of those that hope to gain the most from their investments.

It is not fair to the hard-working and honest families who came to Maricopa to establish roots and raise their families to have to face such a huge rate increase. The rates here are already at the top of bracket for cities around the valley and we feel that these types of companies prey on residents knowing that they are the sole providers of water to our community.

So please, please do not allow Global Water the upper hand and reject their proposed rate increase. Thank you and have a great night.

Respectfully,

LaMon Begay

## Jennifer Ybarra

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**From:** Gaddy Keith-RP4900 [rp4900@freescale.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 25, 2010 8:15 PM  
**To:** Newman-Web  
**Subject:** Global Water rate increase, Doc# 09-0079 or 09-0080

Dear ACC member Paul Newman,

My name is Keith Gaddy and I live in the Maricopa Meadows subdivision in Maricopa, Arizona. I am writing you today to voice my outrage at the proposed rate increase from Global Water to the citizens of the town of Maricopa. This rate increase is especially ridiculous considering the fact that their rate structure is already out of line with comparable municipal water providers. Currently I am paying between \$69 and \$76 per month for sewage and water. These rates only fluctuate because of the days in the billing cycle, not because of the consumption of water used. I am a single father with two children who uses little water and therefore little sewage. I have my children only on the weekends so I can arguably state that there is only one person who uses water on a daily basis. With the proposed increase I can expect to be paying \$102 a month for the services of Global Water, that's insane! This does not even take into account that I have received notice from the Maricopa Meadows HOA that a rate increase will be inevitable in HOA dues because of this. As a resident, I can expect to see a 100% increase monthly between my HOA and water utility bills. I have been following this process for the last year since this proposal was introduced and cannot believe that through all the meetings and hearings, no one can see the impact this will due to the city of Maricopa. If this rate increase is approved, I know that it will be the straw that breaks the camels back for many residents of Maricopa. It will be one more example of why people should not stay in their homes and walk away. It will keep people from coming into the area and businesses will be forced to raise their rates or close altogether. The impact of this rate increase will be felt across the entire city and none of it will be good. I am pleading with the ACC to vote this rate increase down and keep Global Water from gouging its customers. Thank you for taking your time to read my request.

Sincerely,

Keith Gaddy

46135 W. Sky Ln.

Maricopa, Arizona 85139